

REMARKS

Claims 1, 6, and 7 have been amended to more distinctly claim Applicants' invention. No new matter has been introduced.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants have canceled claims 11-24. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to file divisional applications claiming the canceled subject matter.

THE REJECTIONS

1. The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4 and 6-9 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, because the recited derivatives in claims 1 and 6 are indefinite. It is respectfully submitted that the amendments to claims 1 and 6 have obviated this rejection. Reconsideration of this rejection is respectfully requested.

2. The Examiner has rejected claims 1-10 under 35 USC 102 as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 USC 103(a) as obvious over Brannon (USPN 5,326,516 or 5,443,775). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants' invention as presently amended relates to a composition comprising a) at least one organic peroxide initiator; and b) at least one dye that is compatible with any organic peroxide present and is selected from the group consisting of certain anthraquinone derivatives, pyrazalone derivatives, and mixtures thereof.

Brannon (USPN 5,326,516 or 5,443,775) does not teach or suggest a composition comprising a) at least one organic peroxide initiator; and b) at least one dye that is compatible with any organic peroxide present and is selected from the group consisting of certain anthraquinone derivatives, pyrazalone derivatives, and mixtures thereof.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection of claims 1-10 under 35

USC 102 as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 USC 103(a) as obvious over Brannon (USPN 5,326,516 or 5,443,775), is improper. Reconsideration of this rejection is respectfully requested.

3. The Examiner has rejected claims 1-10 under 35 USC 103(a) as obvious over Brannon (USPN 5,326,516 or 5,443,775) in view of Ito (US 5,693,126) and JP 59120612. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Brannon (USPN 5,326,516 or 5,443,775) and Ito do not teach or suggest a composition comprising a) at least one organic peroxide initiator; and b) at least one dye that is compatible with any organic peroxide present and is selected from the group consisting of certain anthraquinone derivatives, pyrazalone derivatives, and mixtures thereof.

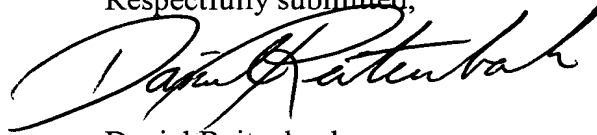
JP 59120612 does not teach or suggest the anthraquinone or pyrazalone derivatives recited in the claims as presently amended.

Therefore, none of Brannon (USPN 5,326,516 or 5,443,775), Ito (US 5,693,126) or JP 59120612, alone or in combination, teach or suggest a composition comprising a) at least one organic peroxide initiator; and b) at least one dye that is compatible with any organic peroxide present and is selected from the group consisting of certain anthraquinone derivatives, pyrazalone derivatives, and mixtures thereof, as claimed in Applicants claims 1-10.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection of claims 1-10 as obvious over Brannon (USPN 5,326,516 or 5,443,775) in view of Ito (US 5,693,126) and JP 59120612, is improper. Reconsideration of this rejection is respectfully requested.

In light of the foregoing, reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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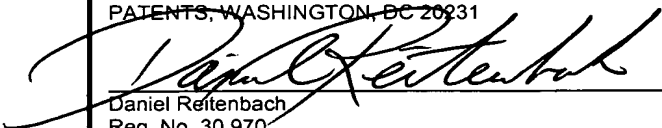
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